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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA FIVE VICE SIX)

EO 11652: N/A
TAGS: MASS, IT
SUBJ: NARNI SCALO EXPLOSIVES PLANT

1. IN OCTOBER 1976 ITALIAN NAVY (ITN) REQUESTED ODC ROME OBTAIN US AGREEMENT TO PERMIT ITALIANS DISESTABLISH SUBJECT PLANT SO THAT PROPERTY COULD BE TURNED OVER TO CITY OF NARNI SCALO. ITN DECLARED DEFENSE NEEDS OF ITALY NO LONGER REQUIRE PLANT.

2. NEITHER ITN, ODC ROME NOR CINCUSNAVEUR HOLD ANY RECORDS CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF PLANT, BUT ITN FILES SHOW AGREEMENT NUMBER DA-91-557-EUC-352 AND DATED APPARENTLY JUNE 24, 1954, THE SAME DATE AS DEFENSE FACILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TIAS 3110) UNDER WHICH PLANT FALLS. PLANT WAS COMPLETED IN 1960 AT COST OF
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1,964,000,000 LIRE OF WHICH US PROVIDED 1,231,000,000 MOSTLY IN EQUIPMENT. IT IS THE ONLY PLANT ESTABLISHED IN ITALY UNDER FACILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND WAS NEVER USED.

3. ON DECEMBER 10 CNO REPORTED THAT NO EVIDENCE COULD BE FOUND CONCERNING USN PARTICIPATION IN THE

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PLANT AND THAT NO USN REQUIREMENT FOR PLANT, PAST OR
PRESENT, COULD BE IDENTIFIED. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF
IDENTIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT BY APPARENT
ARMY DESIGNATION (DA) CNO ASKED CHIEF STAFF ARMY
TO ADVISE CINCUSNAVEUR OF ARMY REQUIREMENTS.
ALTHOUGH SEVERAL FOLLOW-UP MESSAGES HAVE BEEN
SENT TO CSA, NO RESPONSE HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

4. ITN HAS MADE FREQUENT INQUIRIES ON STATUS OUR
REPLY AND IS OBVIOUSLY UNDER PRESSURE TO RESOLVE MATTER.
INDUSTRIEAL AND URBAN EXPANSION OF NARNI SCALO PLACES
PLANT WITHIN CITY LIMITS AND IS CONSIDERED BY CITY
AUTHORITIES AS INDISPENSABLE TO ULTIMATE DEVELOPMENT
OF CITY. ITALIAN MILITARY IS BEING PRESSED THROUGHOUT
ITALY TO RETURN UNNEEDED AREAS TO CIVILIAN USE AND
NARNI SCALO PLANT IS PRIME EXAMPLE OF VALUABLE
PROPERTY BEING TIED UP ON APPARENTLY UNPRODUCTIVE
MILITARY PROGRAM. ITN INQUIRIES, ALTHOUGH FREQUENT
AND INSISTENT, HAVE SO FAR BEEN AT WORKING LEVEL,
BUT QUESTION IS OBVIOUSLY BECOMING SORE POINT WITH
NAVAL AUTHORITIES WHO ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO OUR NAVAL
OPERATIONS IN ITALY. IT BEHOOVES US TO BE AS FORTH-
COMING ON THE MATTER AS POSSIBLE.

5. REQUEST DEPARTMENT OBTAIN DOD RESPONSE TO EMBASSY
PRIOR MAY 8. ARMY INSPECTION TEAM ARRIVED TODAY AND
BUREAUCRATIC PROCESS IN TRAIN. WE STILL NEED AT
LEAST INTERIM RESPONSE TO GIVE ITN BY END OF WEEK.GARDNER

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